

## SVH GLOUCESTER EVENING CRICKET LEAGUE - USING PLAY-CRICKET

The important change this year is that there will be no phoning of results and no result cards. All results will be entered on the play-cricket system. If you have never done that, there is an illustrated guide at <http://www.gccl.org.uk/webresults.htm> which was designed for the County League. Some minor details are different for the evening league - e.g. no bonus points.

**The summary result must be entered by midnight of the day after the game**, i.e. normally Thursday, by the HOME team. Actually the away team can enter the result, but the home team will get a £5 fine if the summary result is not in by the deadline. You enter results from your club's web site.

These are the fields you must fill in, in the summary result:

**The result** (who won, or a tie or abandoned or cancelled)

Then, if the game was completed

**Which side batted first**

For each innings: **Runs scored, Wickets and Overs** (see below)

In the highlights box, you should enter any **good performances**, giving a full name and which team, i.e.

Bill James (Unison) 5-17. Mike Thomas and Paul Smith (Birdlip) shared a 100 run partnership

You can save and end there (by clicking on "7 - Back to Results" on the next screen, or just using the previous page button on your browser). We don't need the full scorecards. You can of course enter full scorecards if you wish - that gives you lots of fascinating stats.

Unison, Dowty Propellers and Ecclesiastical do not have their own website because they are not ECB recognised clubs. They will enter results from the League's web site.

**Overs:** Play-cricket does not recognise 8 ball overs. If you try to enter 14.6 in the overs space it simply refuses to take it. To get over this:

If the innings lasts an exact number of (8-ball) overs, enter that

If the innings finishes after 1,2,...,5 balls of an over, then enter 12.3 or whatever

If the innings ends after 6 or 7 balls of an over, then enter the next number of whole overs, e.g. 13 for 12.6 or 12.7 AND put a note in the highlights box, e.g.

Bharat innings actually 12.7 overs

We actually only very rarely need an accurate figure. But putting the actual figure either in the overs box, if possible, or the highlights if not possible, ensures Shawn has the data to calculate NRR correctly if it has to be used at the end of the season to order the tables.

For the really keen, you can note that your bowlers stats will not be perfectly recorded if you fill in the complete scorecard with these funny overs. I note that one team (yes you guessed it, Chelt Civil Service - who have the cleanest and most complete stats in the West), do a conversion from 8-ball overs to 6-ball overs in their bowling analysis, i.e. if Fred bowled 4 8-ball overs, they note that he apparently bowled 5.2 (6-ball) overs. But please only make that change in your bowling analysis, not in the total overs bowled, entered on the result summary page.

Phew! Sorry that took so long to explain.

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